

Scarlett Middle School
Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2018 – 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Our Mission: To facilitate close cooperation among parents, teachers, and students in order to raise funds a variety of enrichment opportunities and foster a strong learning community!

- **Welcome and Introductions**

- (see sign in sheet)

- **President's report – Margarita Barrientes**

- Restaurant Nights: Our December restaurant nights will be Dec. 11, 13 and 18 at Marco's Pizza and coincide with band/orchestra/choir concerts. There will be a contest in which the CCA class with the largest participation will win a pizza party.
- We are short on the amount we made from the PTSO Thrift Store Raffle this year. But there will be more dates to show support for our school at the PTSO Thrift Store from **January 6-19** with any \$5 purchase.
- Minutes from November meeting were approved.

- **Principal's report - Gerald Vazquez**

- Scarlett is a third of the way through the school year. Grades will be sent home, but are also available on PowerSchool.
- Starting the new term, students are adjusting to schedule changes and 8th graders are preparing for their transition into high school, which includes PSAT testing.
- Mr. Vazquez and the Scarlett community are very proud of the effort and thoughtfulness of the Student Council in regards to their help in the canned food drive this holiday season.
- The Student Council Sock Hop was a huge success. The Student Council was well prepared and the dance was a positive experience for students. And the Student Council sold out of socks!
- On January 25th, 2019, there will be an all school field trip to see a performance by African American choreographer and dancer Camille A. Brown at the Power Center. Also excited to announce that Camille A. Brown will be participating in workshops with the students.

- **Hikone Students Japan trip presentation**

- Rosa Casarella and Kalen Johnson presented a photo presentation of their experiences as exchange students in Hikone, Japan.
- Rosa, Kalen, and 8th grade students from six other Ann Arbor middle schools experienced school in Japan, met the mayor of Hikone as well as the school district superintendent and were presented gifts. The PTSO would like to support them by giving them \$100 each toward their trip expenses.
- Students in 7th grade who are interested can apply for the exchange program.

- **Treasurer's Report & Budgeting - Nicky Geyer, Amy Balzer-Pemberton**
 - In the process of making a change to our tax status. We were previously a non-profit status, but the change can allow for more fundraising possibilities.
 - Update on the School Store and Spirit Wear sales. It was suggested that Spirit Wear could be sold before and after music concerts.
 - The PTSO would like to find the best way to communicate with teachers about the funds available to them and/or their department which could be used for field trips, transportation, classroom supplies, etc. Margarita Barrientes has sent a communication to Mr. Vazquez and Dr. Peterson.
 - For next meeting, would like to discuss the operating budget and how much money should stay in the account as a buffer.

- **Fundraising**
 - For next meeting, would like to discuss:
 - Fundraising ideas and new ways to support the school.
 - Little Caesars? Zap Zone? Other catalogue? Additional donations? Pop Can drive?

- **Winter Carnival Planning**
 - Suggested date change from March 1st to March 15th. Devin Hutchings will confirm the new date with Fun Services.
 - Devin discussed game options with the group and will solidify the choices at the next meeting.
 - The next planning meeting is January 7th. All are welcome to attend!
 - Donation requests to parents will be sent out in the Monday Messages.

- **Open Discussion**
 - Mr. Barrientes discussed the Chicago trip, in which 85 students are signed up. Some families are interested in scholarships and the PTSO will be kept updated on those amounts. 8th grade families should expect an email about the trip from the travel agency.
 - Mr. Barrientes gave an update on Athletics:
 - A young man from Clague middle school was injured during a wrestling meet. Clague staff communicated their appreciation for the Scarlett staff's quick response.
 - Mr. Vazquez is moving toward a new procedure in which students can only stay for the first game of a doubleheader and should be picked up from school by 6pm.
 - Will be adding a donation page to the Athletics website.

- **Meeting adjourned 8:25pm**

LOOKING AHEAD:

Winter Break: December 22, 2018- January 6, 2019

Carnival Planning Meeting: January 7, 2018 @ 6:30 pm in the Media Center

Next PTSO meeting: January 14, 2019

ACCOUNT BALANCE	November
SAVINGS	\$12825.69
CHECKING	\$35,716.71
CD	\$6044.67
CURRENT MONTH	
DEPOSIT	1927.06
WITHDRAWAL	2540.04

SCARLETT MONTHLY SUMMARY

For Month of November 2018

For the month of November we had income as follows:

Total

\$2540.04

Busches	\$10.85
Dining to donate (343.37 per grade)	\$1030.12
School Store	\$344.95
Spiritwear	\$344.95
Athletics	\$186
Total	\$1927.06

Restricted Funds Total

2019 8 th grade trip	\$1775.94
2020 8 th grade trip	\$840.63
2021 8 th grade trip	\$431.96
Athletics	\$652.35

Expenses were as follows:

Bank fees	\$13.7
Miscellaneous	\$300
School Store	\$124.12
Attorney	\$2010.39
Athletics	\$91.83